



Mongolia



Introduction to MONGOLIA

MONGOLIA is a large, landlocked country between China and Russia. Famous for its vast Gobi desert and the heritage of the great Ghengis Khan, Mongolia boasts a rugged and relatively untouched landscape. Many in this sparsely-populated nation live a nomadic or semi-nomadic lifestyle.

The MONGOLIAN people

Total population:	3,041,142
Children under 15:	855,314
Average Life Expectancy:	67.65 years
Per capita annual income:	\$3,200
% children in primary school:	88.8%
Average years of education:	13 years
Literacy rate:	97.8%
Internet users:	330,000
Cell phones in use:	1.796 million
Major/official language(s):	

Khalka Mongol
Turkic
Russian

Risk issues impacting children:

- Extreme temperatures and conditions make the lives of many children very difficult.
- Lack of food and malnutrition are real concerns for many children.

More about MONGOLIA

Capital city:	Ulaanbaatar
Type of government:	Parliamentary
Square kilometers:	1,564,116
General terrain:	Vast semiarid desert and desert plains, grassy steppe, mountains in west and southwest, Gobi desert in south central
Major industries/jobs:	Construction, mining, oil, food processing
National Motto:	N/A*
Major airport(s):	Chinggis Khaan in Ulaanbaatar

Reaching MONGOLIA

Currently classified as World A: Unreached

Major religions:

- Buddhist Lamaist - 50%
- None - 40%
- Shamanist and Christian - 6%
- Muslim - 4%

Christian groups:

- Protestant - 57.7%
- Independent - 21.1%
- Other - 15.5%
- Roman Catholic - 4.2%
- Orthodox - 1.4%

Unreached People Groups:	17 (99.5% of pop)
Average annual Christian growth:	0.041
Average annual baptisms:	2,495
Foreign missionaries:	420
Per million:	162.75
National Christian workers/pastors:	100
Per million:	38.75
Number of churches/congregations:	192

Children's ministry in MONGOLIA

Overview: • In early 1990, there were just a few believers in Mongolia. Now, while still a minority, there is a strong and vibrant Mongolian church.

- Most of the churches have ministry to children and have readily received training from mission and denominational groups. There is some access to resources and training. Many groups are working together to meet the needs of children's ministry in Mongolia.
- The country is still quite secular; therefore, many believing children have non-Christian parents.

Focus for Prayer

Training children's leaders for outreach in
192 congregations

Strategies for reaching and discipling
855,314 children for Christ